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SUBJECT: ITALIAN-YUGOSLAV CONSULTATIONS ON CSCE

1. MFA'S CSCE EXPERT FRANCESCO FRANCESCHI RECENTLY CONSULTED WITH YUGOSLAV OFFICIALS (PRIMARILY AMBASSADOR PESIC) ON PREPARATIONS FOR THE FORTHCOMING CSCE FOLLOW-UP MEETINGS. FRANCESCHI HAS SHARED WITH US HIS REPORT ON THE CONSULTATIONS.

2. FRANCESCHI FOUND PESIC UNHAPPY ABOUT THE FOCUS OF ATTENTION ON DISSENT IN EASTERN EUROPE. SPECIFICALLY, PESIC EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT THIS DEVELOPMENT COULD ENDANGER THE PROSPECTS FOR POSITIVE RESULTS AT BELGRADE. PESIC HOPES THAT RATHER THAN CONCENTRATING ON A LIMITED AREA, THE BELGRADE FOLLOW-UP CAN DEVOTE ITS ENERGY TO A GENERAL EVALUATION OF THE STATE OF DETENTE. AS SUCH, YUGOSLAVS BELIEVE THAT THE SCOPE OF THE CONFERENCE OUGHT TO BE THE DEMOCRATIZATION OF INTER-EUROPEAN RELATIONS AND THE REINFORCEMENT OF SECURITY AND COOPERATION IN EUROPE TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE VARIOUS AND DIVERSE COMPONENTS WHICH INFLUENCE  
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INTER-STATE RELATIONS.

3. CONCERNING ORGANIZATIONAL QUESTIONS, THE YUGOSLAVS STRESSED THAT THE JUNE PREPARATORY MEETING SHOULD NOT EXCEED ITS COMPETENCE. ACCORDINGLY, THEY BELIEVE THAT IT SHOULD FOCUS ON THE TECHNICAL FACTORS CONNECTED WITH PREPARING FOR THE ACTUAL CONFERENCE AND THAT

IT SHOULD NOT LAST MORE THAN FOUR OR FIVE WEEKS.

4. THE YUGOSLAVS INDICATED THAT THEY FORESEE THE BELGRADE CONFERENCE AS CONSISTING OF THREE PHASES. THE FIRST WOULD INVOLVE GENERAL PLENARY SESSIONS IN WHICH THERE WOULD BE GENERAL DEBATE ON THE REALIZATION OF THE FINAL HELSINKI ACT. EACH COUNTRY WOULD HAVE AT LEAST ONE OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT ITS VIEWS, AND TIME WOULD ALSO BE ALLOTTED TO REPRESENTATIVES OF UNESCO AND ECE. THE SECOND PHASE WOULD CONSIST OF COMMISSION SESSIONS. IN THE CONTEXT OF CURRENT YUGOSLAV THINKING, THERE WOULD BE ONE COMMISSION FOR EACH BASKET, AN ADDITIONAL COMMISSION TO CONSIDER NEW PROPOSALS, AND FINALLY A WORKING GROUP ON THE MEDITERRANEAN DIMENSION OF CSCE. (THE WORKING GROUP WOULD ACCEPT CONTRIBUTIONS FROM NON-PARTICIPATING MEDITERRANEAN COUNTRIES INCLUDING ISRAEL.) FINALLY THERE WOULD BE A FINAL PERIOD OF PLENARY SESSIONS DURING WHICH THE REPORTS OF THE VARIOUS COMMISSIONS AND THE WORKING GROUP WOULD BE HEARD AND DISCUSSED. THE YUGOSLAVS BELIEVE ALL PLENARY SESSIONS SHOULD BE PUBLIC.

5. ACCORDING TO FRANCESCHI, THE YUGOSLAVS ARE APPROACHING NEW PROPOSALS WHICH TOUCH ON THE PRINCIPLES OF THE FINAL ACT IN A VERY CAUTIOUS MANNER. THIS CAUTION IS EQUALLY VALID IN TERMS OF THE YUGOSLAV ATTITUDE TOWARDS THE ROMANIAN NON-USE OF FORCE IDEAS AND REPORTED WESTERN PROPOSALS ON HUMAN RIGHTS. HOWEVER, THEY DEMONSTRATED THEMSELVES TO BE MORE POSITIVE  
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ON THE SWISS PROPOSAL FOR PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES.

6. PESIC SAID THAT YUGOSLAVS' INTEREST AT THE BELGRADE CONFERENCE WOULD BE FOCUSED ON STRENGTHENING CBM'S, ON DISARMAMENT, ON MEDITERRANEAN QUESTIONS, AND ON MATTERS PERTAINING TO TREATMENT AND RIGHTS OF MIGRANT WORKERS. ON CBM'S PESIC EXPRESSED YUGOSLAV INTEREST IN LOWERING THE NUMERICAL PARAMETERS FOR NOTIFICATION OF MILITARY MANEUVERS, IN CLARIFYING PROCEDURES INVOLVING MULTIPLE MANEUVERS, IN ADAPTING A FORMULA FOR TREATMENT OF OBSERVERS AT MANEUVERS, INVOLVING PARAMETERS FOR NOTIFICATION OF THE MOVEMENTS OF TROOPS, AND IN STUDYING THE MODALITIES FOR NOTIFICATION OF NAVAL AND AIR MANEUVERS WHICH ARE NOT DISCUSSED IN THE FINAL ACT.

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